



The Messenger

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UPCOMING SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, APRIL 21 8:00 & 10:45 Worship (WC) 9:30 Sunday School (EC) 12:00 Baptism following 10:45 Service (EC) 5:00 Deeper Roots Studies / Choirs & Missions (EC) SUNDAY, APRIL 28 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Worship/Anniversary Dr. Rusty Sowell (WC) 2:00-3:30 Baby Shower Honoring Taylor Senn (WC) 5:00 Deeper Roots Studies / Choirs & Missions (EC) 6:00 Student & Children's Choir Concert (EC)	TUESDAY 10:00 Ladies Joy SS Class (WC) 10:00 Ladies Roman Study (CCB) 6:00 King's Kids (EC)	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24 5:00 Golden Notes (WC) 6:00 Prayer Meeting (WC) 6:00 Youth Kinect (EC) 6:45 Church Choir (WC) WEDNESDAY, MAY 1 Golden Notes to Decatur No Choir Rehearsals 6:00 Prayer Meeting (WC) 6:00 Youth Kinect (EC)	THURSDAY, APRIL 25 10:00 Hymn Sing at the Harbor	SATURDAY, MAY 4 9:00-12:00 Reunion Concert Rehearsal (WC)
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ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Providence Baptist Church is blessed to be celebrating our 140th year of Christians gathering together to worship and praise our Lord, 1884-2024! And not only do we have the church's longevity to celebrate, we are also grateful to be celebrating that we have had the same leaders for so many years!

Rusty Sowell has been our shepherd, and has faithfully led and ministered in our church and community for the past 40 years. Tom Smith has masterfully led our church in worship for the past 50 years. For the past 20 years, Chuck Adams has successfully served as our Student Minister/Associate Pastor. We have so much to be grateful for.

Sunday, April 28th, the celebration continues with Dr. Rick Lance, the Executive Director of the Alabama Baptist State Board of Missions, coming to bring the Word, and to lead us in our celebration of our church's heritage, and our awesome and dedicated leaders. We will recognize Dr. Sowell's 40th Anniversary on Sunday, April 28, 10:45 a.m.

As a part of celebrating the 50th year with Dr. Smith as our Music Minister. What a blessing! We will be having a Reunion Concert on Sunday, May 5, at 2:00 p.m. to commemorate this milestone. All former choir members have been invited back to join with the Church Choir to sing in this special concert. We will recognize Dr. Smith's 50th Anniversary on Sunday, May 5, at 10:45 a.m.

A basket will be available on each celebration day for you to bring a note or card to share with the honoree and his wife, and/or to give a love offering if you so choose. Please bring your card or gift on each respective celebration day. If you writing a check, please make it payable to each individual.

Mark your calendars so that you don't miss out on these special days of thanking God for blessing and guiding Providence Baptist Church.

STAFF

Dr. Rusty J. Sowell *Senior Pastor*
 Dr. Thomas R. Smith *Music Minister*
 Rev. Charles Adams *Assoc Pastor-Student/Media*
 Mrs. Deana Stone, *Senior Adult Minister*
 Mrs. Tammy Senn, *Children's Director*
 Mrs. Jennifer Hughes, *Church Secretary*
 Mrs. Lydia Stringfellow, *Financial Secretary*
 Ms. Mandy Steward, *CDC Director*
 Miss Pam Morris, *Music Assistant*
 Mrs. Suzanne Harris, *Pianist*
 Mrs. Gayle Smith, *Organist*



Pastor's Thoughts Dr. Rusty J. Sowell

Tremendous days of worship these past two Sundays, Easter, "He is Risen, Indeed!" and to be able to gather with Bro. Chuck's family and celebrate 20 Years of Ministry. A timely word that Bro. Chuck shared with us, "What the world needs now, Jesus and more of Jesus." God is good, all the time God is good. Trust you are all doing well and I trust to see you in church soon.



Add your voice Join us April 25th!

We go and lead in hymn singing every third Thursday of the month, 10:00 a.m., at The Harbor Assisted Living. All are welcome to come and join us.

Baby Shower Invitation

A sweet baby girl is on her way, join us for a baby shower honoring Taylor Senn, on Sunday, April 28, 2:00-3:30 p.m., West Campus. Registered on Amazon

PBC Kids Mrs. Tammy Senn tsenn@providencealive.com

Wow! April is halfway over! The end of the school year is approaching quickly. BUSY is how I describe this time right now. Finding balance, rest, and stillness is a challenge. My mind goes to sleep thinking about the "to-do's" and wakes up "going" too!

How do we find that balance? How do we keep Jesus the top priority? How do we focus on what He wants us to accomplish?

PRAYER AND QUIET TIMES! I challenge you to take a step back from the busyness of this life and look for ways to sit STILL. Start your day off by thanking Him for another day, even before your feet hit the ground. Wake up just a few minutes earlier to read scripture, pray, journal, and listen! God will bless you daily if we give your day to him! Look for him every minute.

We were so blessed by the children last week for our Missions and Service Days during Spring Break. We completed FOUR projects. 1. We added scripture labels (Jesus is the living water. John 4:14) to water bottles and delivered them to three local gyms. 2. We added notes (God's love BUBBLES over you!) to bottles of bubbles and the children were able to be missionaries at the park on Wednesday as they handed

them out to different children there. 3. We decorated bags for servicemen/women in our area to give out treats at a later date. 4. And we were able to complete a special project for some of our special leaders in our church.

STUDENT & CHILDREN'S CHOIR CONCERT We are gearing up for a wonderful night of singing and fellowship on April 28 at 6:00 on the East Campus. PLEASE COME JOIN US!

As of right now CAMP is full! Let me know if you want to be on a waiting list!

Join us weekly as we are spending time together to learn more about Him also. We have several opportunities for children as well as adults to participate. Come join us!

- ⇒ Sunday Mornings for Sunday School: 9:30-10:30
- ⇒ Tuesday Nights for King's Kids: 6:00-7:15 (Kindergarten-6th Grade) Last day is May 14 for Summer Break.

We look forward to seeing you!
 You are loved,
 Tammy Senn



PBC Kid's
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APRIL SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.
 John 3:16 (NKJV)

GIVING THEIR TIME AND TALENT

Deacons On Call

Apr 21: Adam Pierce, Mike Brown
 Apr 28: Houston Ennis, Bruce Britt

Sunday Morning Nursery

Apr 21: Reagan Thornton, Morgan Brown
 Apr 28: Angie Searles, Hannah May, Pam Heartsill
Nursery Volunteers Needed!

FACTS & FIGURES

Budget Needs Weekly.....	22,279.17
Easter Sunday 3/31/2024	
Budget Giving.....	21,113.15
Designated Giving	832.50
Budget Giving YTD	1,469,901.71
Building Debt	980.00
8:00 AM Worship.....	293
Sunday School.....	166
10:45 AM Worship.....	342
4/7/2024	
Budget Giving.....	38,043.45
Designated Giving	1,495.26
Budget Giving YTD	1,511,010.42
Building Debt	1,570.00
8:00 AM Worship.....	136
Sunday School.....	151
10:45 AM Worship.....	221
Annie Armstrong YTD	\$5,253.00